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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Saturday, March 21, 2015 Issued: 0800 CT

**National Weather Service** 

Southern Region Headquarters Regional Operations Center Fort Worth, TX



<u>Day 1 Hazards</u>: Flash flooding possible today over much of SW, S-Central and SE TX as well as western and northern LA

## **Key Points**



#### **Today**

- Moderate to heavy rainfall to continue over much of southwest, southern central TX and east TX and as well as western and northern LA
  - Due to recent rains, and an additional 2-3 inches of rainfall expected through evening, flash flood threat will continue

#### **Sunday - Monday**

- Rainfall will be shifting eastward on Sunday, some heavy rainfall may linger over N LA early
- No significant weather threats expected Monday

#### **Tuesday-Wednesday**

Storms possible over NE OK/NW AR on Tuesday afternoon/evening

## \*FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix Mar 21, 2015 - Mar 25, 2015

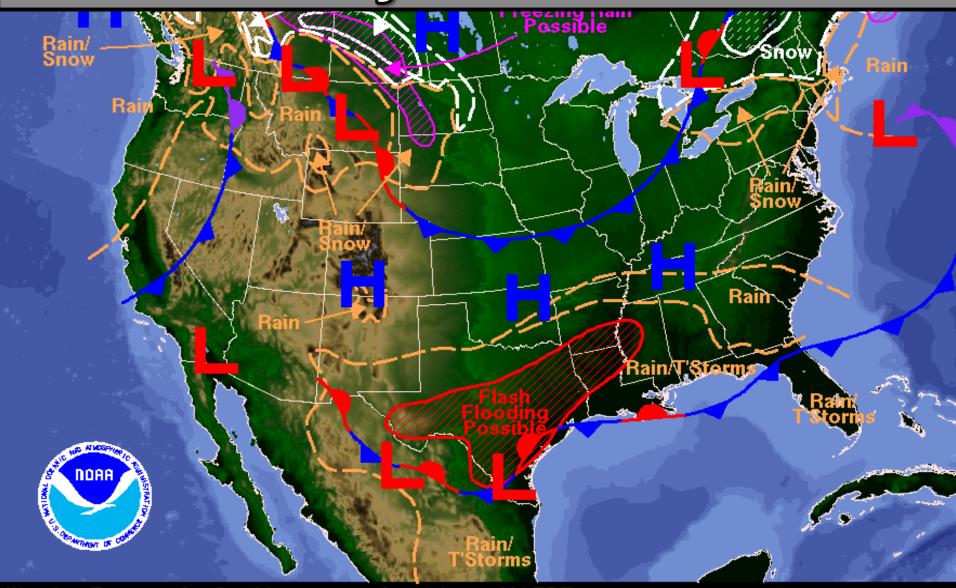
DAY/ THREAT	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
Severe Storms	Deep South TX	SE LA		NE OK/NW AR	
Heavy Rain /Flooding	SW-S-Central & SE TX, W & N LA	N LA A.M.			
Fire					
Cold					
Winter					



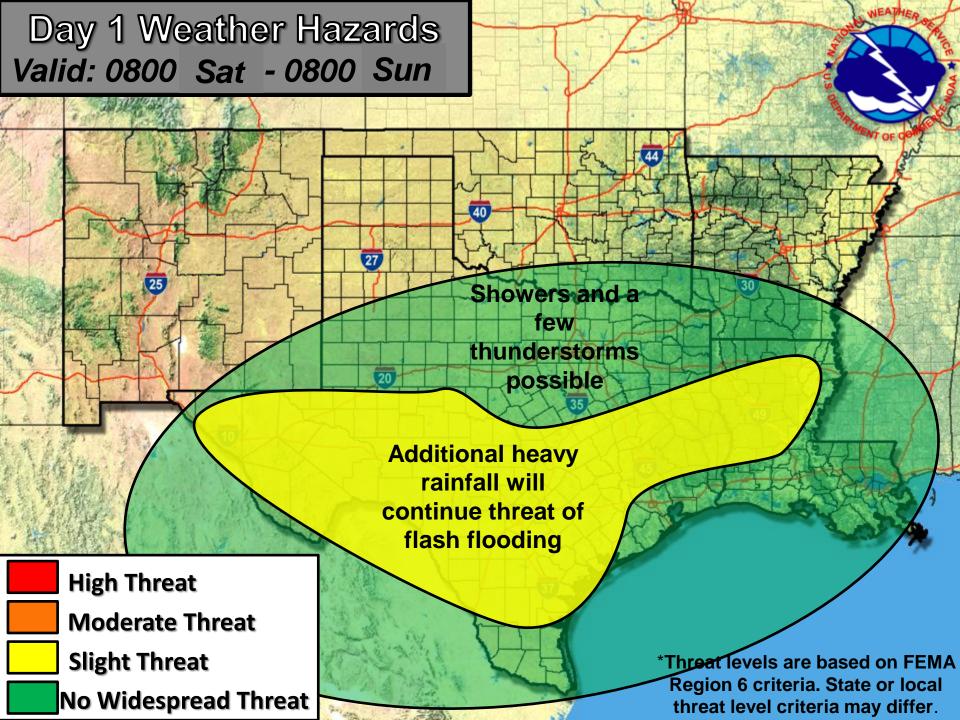
\*Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria. State or local threat level criteria may differ.



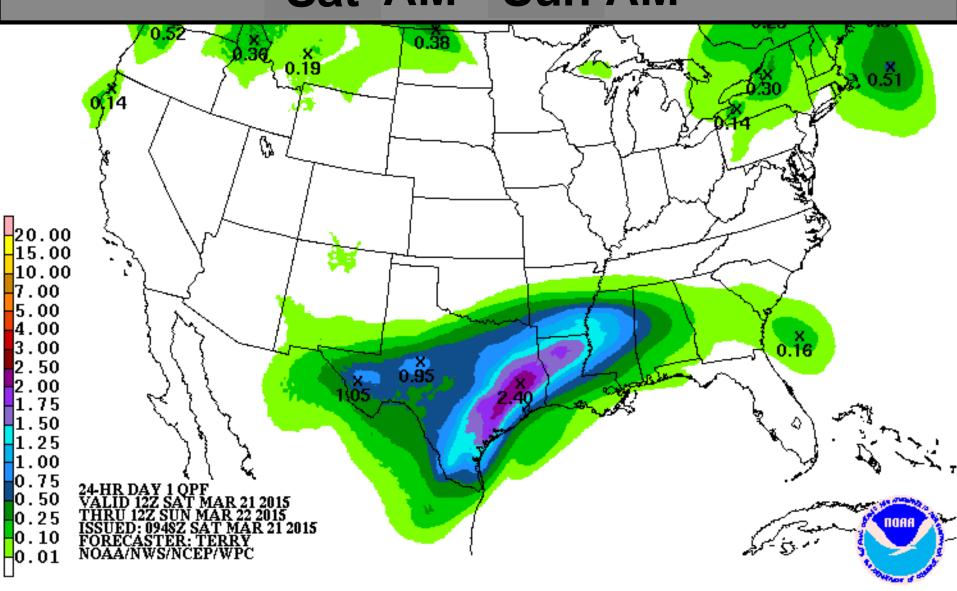
# Today's Weather



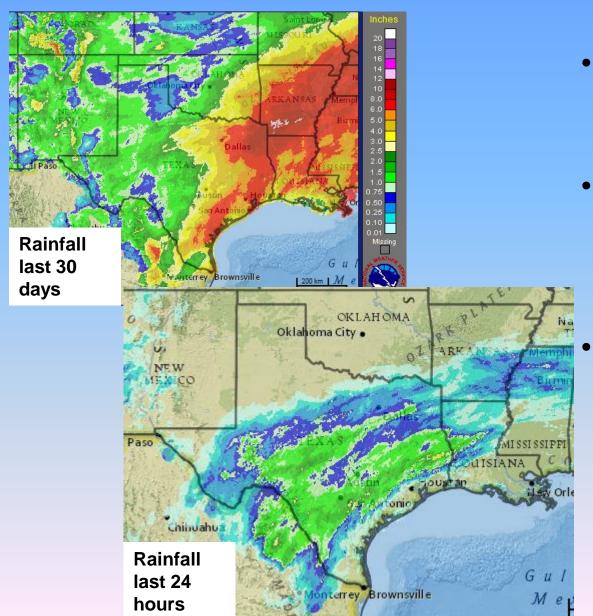
Weather Forecast for Sat, Mar 21, 2015, issued 4:39 AM EDT DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center Prepared by Kong based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



# Today's Precipitation Sat AM - Sun AM

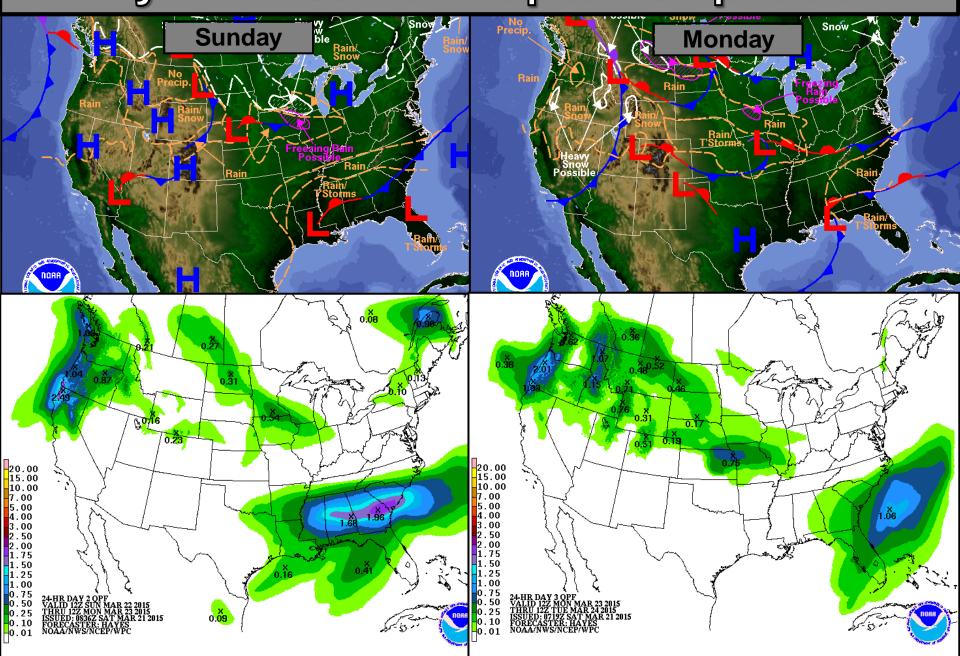


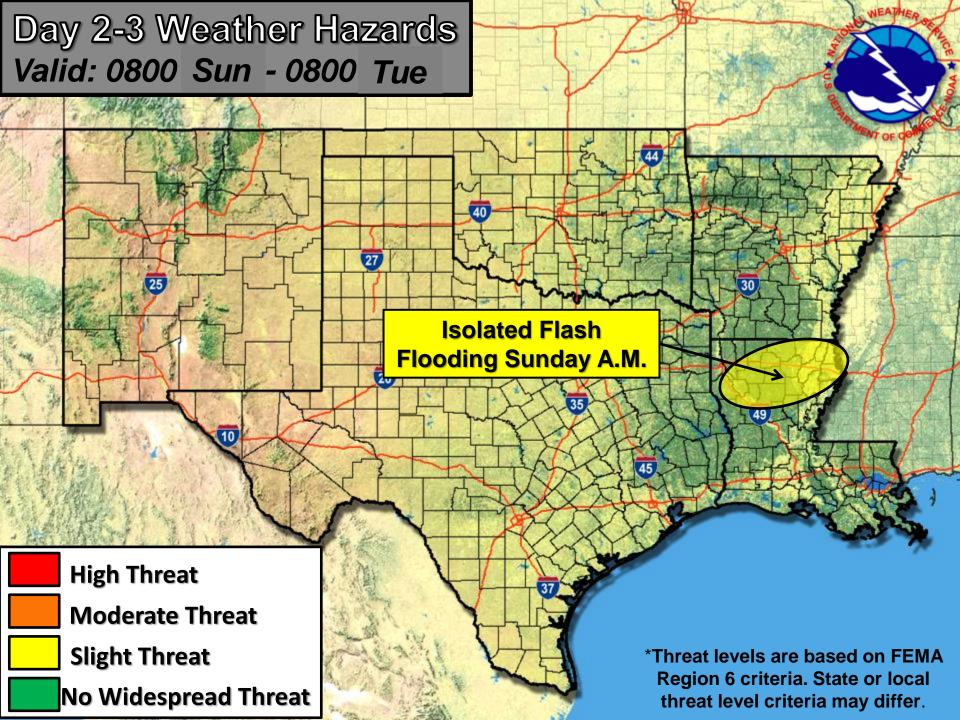
#### Recent Rainfall

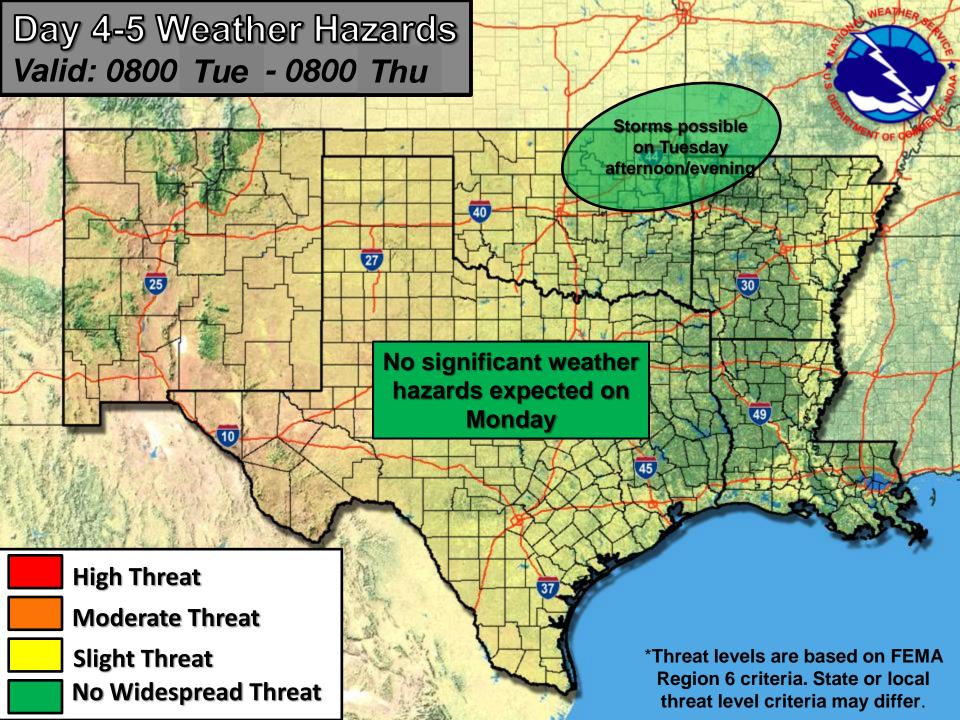


- This image shows rainfall over the last 30 days
- For portions of S TX and NE TX, this is 200 to 300+% of normal over the last month
- Saturated ground +
  additional rainfall today
  and Sunday A.M. will
  create a flash flooding
  risk for these areas

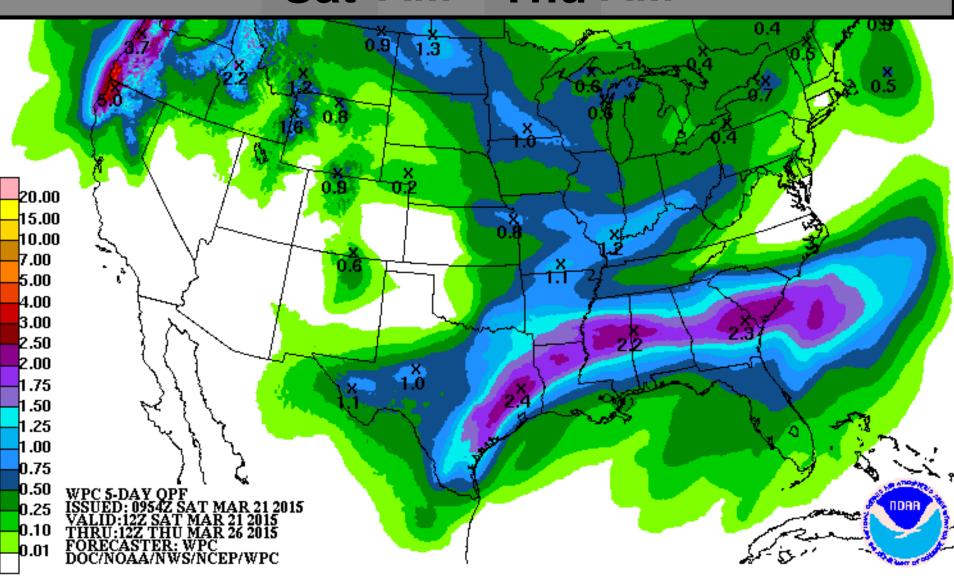
# Day 2-3 Weather Maps/Precipitation







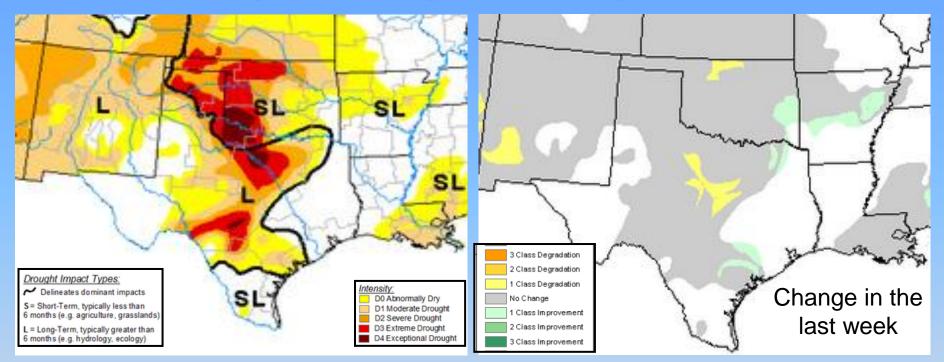
# 5-Day Precipitation Sat AM - Thu AM





#### Drought Monitor Released March 19, 2015

#### Drought data valid through 7am ET on Tuesday, March 17, 2015



Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought)							
State	Current	Last Week	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago			
Oklahoma	31.72%	28.29%	21.67%	14.72%			
Texas	14.48%	12.76%	10.05%	14.06%			
New Mexico	0.00%	0.00%	3.70%	23.27%			
Arkansas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%			
Louisiana	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%			

## Space Weather 3-Day Forecast

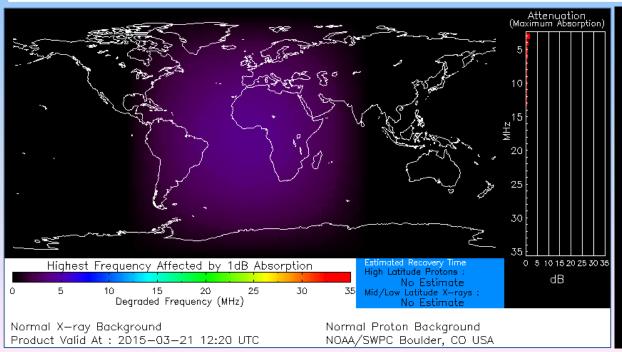


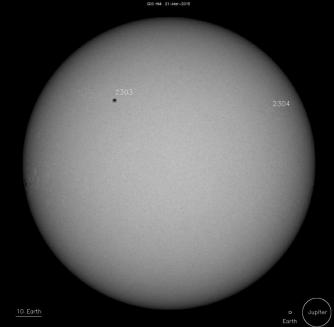
	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Geomagnetic Storms	Unsettled to Minor Storm (G1) (Max Kp = 5)	Minor (G1) Storm (Max Kp = 5)	Minor (G1) Storm (Max Kp=5)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	5%	5%	5%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%

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Description of the Space
Weather Storm Scales

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3-Day Space Weather
Forecast Text





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